Decentralisation: Pilot projects outline plan – Appendix 7

Ambition 6: Places and communities prosper because they have a resilient and inclusive economy, access to good quality public services and social justice is prioritised

Project:	Community wealth building – Focus	Lead	Head of Communities
	on Abbey Ward	Officer:	

Outline proposal:

Cambridge City Council have embarked on a community wealth building project, Focus on Abbey. The county council commits to playing an active role in the pilot and any subsequent system-wide partnership arrangements. The project aims, as set out by Cambridge City Council, are:

To bring people together from across the community, voluntary, charitable, public, and private sectors to identify opportunities to work together to improve quality of life in the area and address entrenched inequalities.

Deliverables:

Project deliverables will be set by the city council and the partnership group. We anticipate the following deliverables emerging:

- System wide partnership group, with the county council as a key partner
- Call for proposals for community capacity building and feasibility work for transformative projects, offering grants for projects that address the causal factors of inequality and seek to engage and empower the community as part of their delivery.

Benefits/Outcomes:

Indicative timescale:	Target Place:	Tactical/ strategic?
May 2023 to March 2025:	Abbey	Strategic
Phase 1: May to July 2023 (vision workshops /formation of partnership group)	Ward	
Phase 2: Sept 2023 to Dec 2024 (call for grant proposals/ community		
engagement)		
Phase 3: Jan 2025 to Mar 2024 (impact evaluation)		

Decentralised approach:

The county council will play an active role in supporting city council to achieve the ambitions of its Focus on Abbey project. This may include targeting council officer support to the project, or resource, as the work develops during phase one and two of the programme.

Impact / success measure(s):

1) Measures will be set via the city council project team.

Resources required/identified:

- Targeted Support/Child and Family Centres Cambridge City Service Manager
- Communities Service Head of Communities and resource from City team
- tbc

Partners involved:	Dependencies / linked programmes & projects:	
Cambridge City Council (lead)	n/a	
Estimated Budget:	Budget Source:	

Shared Prosperity Fund (Cambridge City Council)